ritories are covered in the plan; and

(c) the details of amount sanctioned to the States and Union Territories?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) The current phase of the National Forestry Action Programme (NFAP), being prepared with the assistance of the FAO and UNDP, aims to establish strategies by means of which the National Forest Policy, 1988 can be implemented. The priority areas for strategy formulation are protection of existing forest resources, increasing forest productivity, reducing total demand for wood and wood products, strengthening policy and institutional framework and expanding forest area.

(b) All the States and Union Territories are being covered under the National Forestry Action programme.

(c) Allocation of funds to the States and Union Territories does not arise in the current phase of the NFAP.

राजभाषा विभाग का वार्षिक कार्यक्रम

*222. **श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह:** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या राजभाषा विभाग द्वारा मंत्रालयों, केन्द्रीय सरकार के कार्यालयों, उपक्रमों तथा अन्य विभागों में राजभाषा के कार्य हेतु कोई वार्षिक कार्यक्रम जारी किया जाता है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार ने इस बात की जांच की है कि विभिन्न मंत्रालयों द्वारा इस कार्यक्रम का पालन किया जाता है; और

(ग) जहां इस कार्यक्रम का पालन नहीं हो रहा है, वहां इसके पालन के लिए सरकार क्या कार्यवाही कर रही है?

गृह मंत्री (श्री एस०बी० चव्हाण): (क) जी, हां।

(ख) तथा (ग): वार्षिक कार्यक्रम के लक्ष्यों के पालन के संदर्भ में तिमाही प्रगति रिपोर्ट मंत्रालयों/विभागों से मांगी जाती है। वार्षिक कार्यक्रम के कार्यान्वयन की वार्षिक मूल्यांकन रिपोर्ट तैयार की जाती है और इसे प्रति वर्ष संसद के दोनों सदनों के पटल पर प्रस्तुत किया जाता है। लक्ष्यों की प्राप्ति में पाई गई कमियों की ओर ध्यान दिलाते हुए सुधार के लिए प्रभावी कदम उठाने के लिए संबंधित मंत्रालयों/विभागों से अनुरोध किया जाता है।

Crimes in Delhi

*223. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:
SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether crimes in the Capital have been on the increase in the past few months, the target in many cases being the old couples; and

(b) if so, the number of such cases reported during the last one year and the steps taken to ensure security to such old couples in the capital, so as to instil confidence among the people?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.B. CHAVAN): (a) and (b) Crime in the capital has shown a general decline in the past few months. The number of reported cases pertaining to murder, attempt to murder, robbery, kidnapping/abduction, rape, dowry deaths and burglary have shown a decline in the six months ending February, 1995 as compared to the figures for the preceding six months. There has, however, been an increase in the number of cases of dacoity, theft and murder of old couples.

The number of cases reported under major heads of crime, and murder of old couples, during the last one year (1.3.94 to 28.2.95) is given in the statement. (*See* below)

The Government has taken several steps to check crime in Delhi. These include increased patrolling, posting of pickets at strategic points, strengthening of intelligence machinery, frequent raids at the hideouts of criminals, increased surveillance, coordination meetings with the officials of the neighbouring States, training of police officers in handling modern weapons, introduction of scientific methods of investigation, modernisa-